

**Zone 4
Pacific Swimming
Meeting 3/13/2012**

APPROVED MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m.

Attendance:

X	Chair, Jim Morefield	X	Lorna Johnston (DDST)	X	Margaret Jackson (DDST)
X	Vice-Chair, Susan Schraeder (RENO)	X	Monica Weaver (CARS)	X	Karen DeBusk (CARS)
X	Secretary, Sharon Weiss (LAKE)	X	Lou Scalise (NNA)	X	David Rinaldi (NNA)
X	Treasurer, Jerry Rudd (TAHO)	X	Officials, Valerie Rudd (TAHO)	X	Officials, Gale Maynor (Z4)

- ✓ Please notify Jim Morefield, Zone 4 Chair jdmore@charter.net of any changes to team representatives.

Review & Approval of Minutes:

- ✓ The Minutes from the meeting of January 10, 2012 were approved as written.

Upcoming Meetings:

- ✓ Next Meeting: May 8, 2012 (Board Nominations for 2012-2013)
- ✓ Future Meetings: July 10, September 11, November 13, 2012; 2013: January 15, March 12

Public Comment: (Chair reserves the right to limit to 5 minutes per person; no action may be taken)

- ✓ Gale Maynor expressed nostalgia over the meet name change from the classic “Reno Gamble” to the “Reno Summer Splash”.

Announcements and Correspondence:

- ✓ N/A

Financial Report:

- ✓ Current Balance (as of 2/29/12): \$9,220.52
- ✓ Teams outstanding for 2012 Zone 4 dues (\$100): Mammoth & Bishop. Please send to Zone 4 Treasurer as soon as possible.
- ✓ Treasurer:
Jerry Rudd
Zone 4 Treasurer
P.O. Box 9698
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96158-2698

LSC Report:

- ✓ Summer Long Course Junior Olympics – planning is underway, with 2 venues; Zone 4 currently assigned to Concord venue.
- ✓ Discussion: The 2012 NACC is scheduled (Canadian Swimming) for the same date as Long Course Far Westerns, which presents some conflict for Pacific athletes and coaches (in terms

of staff). There was general support for continuing participation in NACC in light of this schedule conflict.

- ✓ Grants available: Pacific Pool Improvement grant application are due March 31; Diversity Grant applications are due April 1. Please see Pacific Swimming www.pacswim.org.
- ✓ Pacific Swimming Governance Committee has been looking at how the LSC conducts business, organizes itself, etc.; will make recommendations for BOD/HOD consideration. Anyone interested in representing Zone 4 (representation to include monthly teleconferences) is to contact Jim Morefield.

Coaches' Report:

- ✓ N/A

Officials' Report:

- ✓ A successful Chief Judge and Administrative Referee clinic was held Sunday, March 11.
- ✓ Pacific Swimming held its annual officials clinic January 7.
- ✓ The Zone 4 Officials' Duties have been assigned to the meet schedule for 2012 (through October).
- ✓ All teams are reminded to send their meet sheets to the Meet Referee before sanctioning.
- ✓ A basic officials clinic will be offered on March 24.
- ✓ Discussion: swimmer caps (limits) for Zone-4 Meets. The general consensus was that limits are unnecessary, were developed before we had split-session meets. Now the 4-hour rule limits the size for 12-under events. The suggestion was also made that 12 & unders go first (morning session) for split-session meets.

Safety Report:

- ✓ N/A

Sanctioning Report:

- ✓ Shari Buonomici reports that RENO's Summer Splash long course meet is sanctioned. No other activity since the last meeting.

Scheduling Report (2012-2013):

- ✓ In the event of any schedule changes, teams are asked to make notifications as soon as possible.
- ✓ Current approved schedule:
 - BST: June 22-24
 - CARS:
 - May 25-27
 - Nov 9-11
 - Jan 18-20, 2013
 - DDST:
 - Aug 10-12
 - Sept 21-23
 - Dec 8-9
 - RENO:
 - June 15-17
 - October 19-21
 - TAHO: July 6-8

Old Business:

- ✓ Review of Zone All-star meet March 3-4, 2012
 - Discussion: poor and often non-existent support of Zone All-Star Meet from Zone 4 teams and coaches:
 - Sharon Weiss commented on the importance and utility of the Zone All-Star Meet for 14 & under swimmers. The meet is an excellent opportunity for young swimmers coming up through the ranks of age group swimming; swimmers have an opportunity to travel, make friends from other clubs, and participate in a well organized, high quality meet at the developmental level; full support of Zone 4 is essential to maximize the swimmers' opportunities (e.g., relays, social, competitiveness, etc.). Unfortunately, Zone 4 fielded only a partial squad this year, so many swimmers did not even get to participate in relays, which is part of the fun and excitement of the experience. It is up to each coach to identify, educate, and recruit potential All-Stars. Otherwise, the meet was super fun and the weather was uncharacteristically spectacular!
- ✓ Zone All-Star Meet 2013 – Zone 4 is hosting
 - First Sunday in March.
 - Adjacent Community Center has been suggested as a possible venue for All-Star Banquet/Activity. Gold Dust West and Marriott/Fandango were suggested as possible hotels.
 - Items to be identified: meet director; host team; do we host as a zone? Chair to contact Carson City for more information about costs, etc.

New Business:

- ✓ Discussion: format preferences / emphasis for DDST December 8 & 9 meet – sprints, distance, relays (conventional & unconventional) were all discussed as fun alternatives to the typical meet format. Same weekend as Pacific Senior Championships & Junior Nationals.

Next Meeting: May 8, 2012 7:30 pm, High Sierra Brewing Company 302 N Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon M. Weiss, Secretary